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PATENT APPLICATION

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This is a reply to the final Office Action mailed on July 11, 2005.

a. Introductory Comments

The Office Action rejects claims 8 – 12. Claims 1 – 7 have been withdrawn.

Herein, Applicants add new claims 16 – 20.

Applicants request reconsideration.